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## Water advisory ends for East King County water system

**OLYMPIA** — The boil-water advisory issued last Thursday for Riverbend Homesites in eastern King County ended today.

The state Department of Health issued the advisory as a precaution because *E. coli* bacteria were detected in routine monitoring samples. Since those initial tests, the water system operator took 11 more samples. All of the samples were good, indicating the water meets federal drinking water standards.

"Our priority is to ensure safe and reliable drinking water," said Bob James, manager of northwest operations for the agency's Office of Drinking Water. "We're pleased that the samples came back satisfactory, and we appreciate residents' understanding as we worked through this."

The Riverbend Homesites development has 533 homes and about 1,600 residents. It's near Interstate 90 Exit 32, east of North Bend. The advisory did not affect any other communities.

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